

A GRAND COURT OF APPEALS

HOW THE PEOPLE REVERSE PARTISAN DECISIONS IN THE HOUSE.

Congressman Cummings Reviews the Situation—Members Elected by the People—The Old Members Retained and the New Members Elected—The House of Representatives in Session.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—"Give us another case," shouted the Republican members of the House on Sept. 23, when Col. Elliott of South Carolina was unseated and a black Republican put in his place within three minutes. It was all done under the lead rules. The next case on the calendar was that of McGinnis against Alderson, from West Virginia. Jonathan H. Rowell, chairman of the Committee on Elections, stood at the head of the Republican cohorts, with eager eyes and disheveled hair, ready to jump Alderson from his seat in a huff, at a tip from the speaker. The outrage might have been consummated if the Democratic members had not come trooping into the hall of the House. They had assembled themselves so as to prevent, if possible, the supplanting of Mr. Vanable of Virginia by John M. Langston. The proposed action of the majority was so outrageous that the Democrats had determined that the Republicans must furnish their own quorum to consummate it. They made their way to the House, being counted by the speaker. A Virginia Democrat, Col. O'Ferrall, had been left in the House to make the point of no quorum. One hundred and sixty-six votes were required to make a quorum. When 165 Republicans appeared Speaker Reed counted Col. O'Ferrall to fill the quorum and the House proceeded to vote on the McGinnis case. It was a simple matter, for the McGinnis case had been left in the House instead of Col. O'Ferrall. The speaker would undoubtedly have counted him to make a quorum, and thus have forced him to aid in unseating himself. Alderson was not unseated, although under the rules the members of the House had refused to vote he could have been unseated by the speaker's vote alone. The speaker counting the non-voting members to make the quorum.

Flushed with his triumph on Sept. 23, the chairman of the Committee on Elections announced his intention of calling up the McGinnis case on the first opportunity. At least one of the closing days of the session. The legislative fund was choked with more pressing business, and Alderson escaped for the time being. He got information, however, that the McGinnis case would be called up at the beginning of the short session, and he drove to a vote. Then the idea of November arrived. The flood gates of the people's wrath were opened. The Republican party was swept from power. The people unseated Rowell and more than a hundred of his associates and put Democrats in their places.

The stinging rebuke has evidently been felt. No more contested election cases have been called up. There are no more cries of "Give us another case." The warlike chairman of the Committee on Elections, who has become as mild as a cologne bottle, has been unseated by the people. The other four barely pulled through. The people, however, not satisfied with condemning them, replaced in their seats all the unseated Democrats except two, who were not candidates. One of them was re-elected in the House at the beginning of this session. The other was Breckinridge, one of the ablest members of the Committee on Ways and Means when the McKinley bill was framed. He was unseated by a vote of less than one-third of the members of the House. The speaker, whose rules made this possible, was compelled by the vote of the people to administer the oath to Mr. Breckinridge a second time. It was hardly an agreeable duty. Rarely, if ever, has the House witnessed such a scene. You could have heard a shuttle-drum roll over the floor as the oath was administered. Upon Mr. Breckinridge's left, the speaker, who had been unseated, stood a huge crowd of justice, evenly balanced. It was not only a telling rebuke to the majority. It compared strangely with the display on Prof. Langston's desk after the cutting of the cable. That was a floral cord, topped with a wreath, and it was the disposition of the majority of the House. The Breckinridge testimonial represented the disposition of the majority of the people.

THE PEOPLE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The first of the nine Democrats elected was Judge Jackson of West Virginia. He was thrown out within less than a week of the opening of the session. He was a member of the organization of Congress, under general parliamentary law, interpreted by the speaker. No rules had been adopted. The speaker began to count non-voting Democrats to make a quorum, as soon as the case was called up. He said that he was under general parliamentary law. He refused to entertain motions to adjourn, or appeals from his decision, under the same law. The Democrats contended that the Constitution required a voting quorum. If without rules, the speaker counted a quorum to unseat a Democrat, they proposed to take the same rule to the Supreme Court. The Republicans evaded the issue. Although at that time they had only three more votes than a quorum, they furnished a voting quorum to unseat the Judge.

Judge Jackson has a pleasant face, a gray beard, and a close-cropped beard. He watched the proceedings with much interest, but took no part in the debate. He had come to the House with a certificate of three majority. While the final vote was being taken he sat in the Democratic cloak room, receiving assurances of the esteem of his friends. At the late election the Democratic committee, J. A. Campbell was elected to represent the district. He will come to the next House backed by a majority that ought to blanch the faces of those who voted to unseat Jackson.

The conspiracy to unseat Jackson was betrayed strangely. In the Congressional Directory, printed two weeks before the Judge was ousted, the name of Campbell was listed as a member from the Fourth district.

Judge Jackson's Democratic colleagues in the House regret that he did not receive a nomination. He is a genial gentleman, and the many friends who came to his home in the House, where he remained the short time that he remained in the House.

The second Democrat ousted was also a West Virginian. He had no gray beard and no gray hair. He was John O. Pendleton. Young, bright and active, Mr. Pendleton was a nephew of the late George H. Pendleton. He had been in Congress less than three months when he was ousted. His was the first case taken under the lead rules. They acted like a charm. Pendleton, like his illustrious uncle, is a man of brains and capacity. He took a hand in the fight himself. He talked offhand, and with great fluency. He was a member of the House, and he was a member of the House.

When he said that the Agricultural Department had been made a clear victory for the House, he had undertaken to do it in advance that he was not a member. He had been a member of the House for nearly three months, and had voted on every roll call. The Commissioner of Agriculture had been a member of the House, and he had been a member of the House.

The third contested election case was decided a week afterward. It was that of Featherston against Henderson. Henderson, of Arkansas, was elected to a seat in the House. He was a member of the House, and he was a member of the House.

Arkansas AGAIN REVERSES A DECISION. The popular verdict in the Second district of Arkansas had been in favor of the Republican candidate. He had been elected to a seat in the House. He was a member of the House, and he was a member of the House.

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There was a State election held in the district. A Democratic Governor was elected in September, and a Democratic House of Representatives was elected in November.

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A REAL BEAUTY CONTEST.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT AND GRACE OF FIFTH AVENUE SCHOOL GIRLS.

Bob Cook Out of the Judges—T. Girls Watched as They Walked, Passed Up and Down Stairs, Fished Handkerchiefs from the Floor, and Received in the Drawing Room—The System Employed.

The importance of intelligent physical training and development is thoroughly understood and appreciated at the present time that it has become incorporated in the curriculum of a well-known fashionable school for girls in New York, where recently a great contest was held by the students in this branch of culture, and the girl victor received a prize for superior physical development.

There were about forty of the fair contestants, straight, lithe, active specimens of girlhood, all along the line, from the careless, joyous little child with her bright face framed in tossing ringlets up to the tall, slender maiden just budding into womanhood and sweet seriousness.

The examining committee consisted of Mr. Robert J. Cook, the great Yale coach, who was expected to render the wise judgment of the specialist on the muscular elasticity and development of the girl athletes in this modern Olympic tournament; Gen. Porter, who was to pronounce, according to the wisdom of his soldier, upon the carriage and bearing of the company of girls, and a well-known society lady, who should criticize from the woman's standpoint the gentle graces essential to the high calling of a lady in fashionable life.

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THE PEDDLER'S FAMILIAR CRY.

It is Infinite in Variety—Should It Be Suppressed?

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HOUSEKEEPERS

Should Remember.

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Every article used is absolutely pure. Chemists are employed to test the strength of each ingredient, so that its exact effect in combination with its co-ingredients is definitely known. Nothing is trusted to chance, and no person is employed in the preparation of the materials used, or the manufacture of the powder, who is not an expert in his particular branch of the business.

As a consequence, the Royal Baking Powder is of the highest grade of excellence, always pure, wholesome and uniform in quality. Each box is exactly like every other, and will retain its power, and produce the same and the highest leavening effect in any climate, at any time.

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STORY OF A DIPLOMAT.

Gen. Winston and the French Consul—The Story of the Diplomat.

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